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### **RESOLUTION 20-296 CONTINUES TO WORK WITH HOTEL INDUSTRY**

The Honolulu City Council will hear a resolution tomorrow, which emphasizes all of the safety issues covered in Bill 80 – a measure that has been tabled for now due to legal concerns.

Resolution 20-296 urges the hotel industry to work with hotel employees to address return to work procedures to ensure a fair and equitable right to recall for hotel employees, who've lost jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and to establish comprehensive standards to ensure safe working conditions for employees and hotel guests.

All of these points were also in Bill 80, which Council Chairwoman Ann Kobayashi decided to hold back until the legal issues, raised by the City's Corporation Counsel and the Office of Council Services, can be properly addressed.

Instead, the Council will hear Resolution 20-296, also introduced by Council Vice Chair Tommy Waters, which will allow the discussion of these important safety and livelihood issues to continue in hopes of sound, productive dialogue.

COVID-19 devastated many island businesses and forced the hotel industry to reduce or shut down operations due to various government orders and plummeting tourism numbers. The Council hopes, as tourism begins to recover, that it can build upon its ongoing dialogue with the hotel industry to also establish comprehensive way to provide fair and equitable employment for hotel employees who lost their jobs due to the pandemic.

For more information about this resolution or the Honolulu City Council, please inquire at the following web sites: <http://www.honolulucitycouncil.com/> or <http://www.honolulu.gov/council>

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